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For : DRUG FOR KIDNEY FAILURE CONTAINING OXALURIC ACID  
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**REQUEST FOR EXPRESS ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.138**

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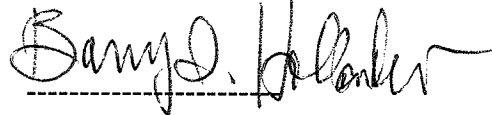
Examiner Brian Kwon is thanked for a telephonic interview of March 24, 2009 with Applicant's undersigned attorney for a proposed Examiner's Amendment to place the application in condition for allowance. During the interview Examiner Kwon proposed an Examiner's Amendment to: a) cancel withdrawn product claims 21 and 2-5, b) cancel method claims 17-20, c) amend claim 6 to recite a "A method of treating renal failure comprising...", and d) withdraw the election of species as to method claims 10-13, to place the application in condition for allowance as to claims 6 to 16. However, as discussed with the Examiner on March 25, 2009 the Applicants have decided to abandon the application.

Applicants hereby expressly abandon the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.138.

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Should there be any questions regarding this paper, or this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,  
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry I. Hollander", written over a horizontal dashed line.

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